

FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: April 25, 1995

SUBJECT: **SB 1726 - HB 1692**

This bill, if enacted, will allow the district attorney general to retain the difference between the amount to defray the costs of collecting delinquent taxes, costs and fines for criminal cases and the 50% of the taxes, costs, and fines collected. These funds will be remitted to the District Attorneys General Conference to assist in carrying out the purposes of the Victims' Bill of Rights.

Current law provides that *up to* 50% of delinquent taxes, costs, and fines collected may be retained by the district attorneys general or criminal or general sessions court clerks to defray the costs of collection. The remaining moneys collected is allocated with first moneys paid credited to litigation taxes . Once all litigation taxes have been paid, the next moneys paid are credited to court costs then addition moneys credited toward fines.

The fiscal impact from enactment of the bill is estimated to result in a shift in state revenues, limited to certain delinquent litigation taxes, paid to the Department of Revenue and distributed according to the allocations for litigation taxes and earmarks these revenues to the

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District Attorneys General Conference for victims programs. The amount of revenues that will be shifted are estimated to exceed \$100,000.

Enactment of the bill is also estimated to result in a decrease in local government revenues from delinquent collections that would be allocated to court costs. The amount of such revenues cannot be reasonably determined but is estimated to exceed \$100,000.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director